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Winners in the 1993 MacDougall Creative Writing contest are (from left): freshman Jennifer Phillips (first place), freshman Elke Betz-Schmidt (honorable mention), senior Tracy Acuff-Passi (third place), and freshman Patrick Kilgallon (second place).

## Rosen receives yearbook dedication

Dr. Roslyn Rosen, dean of the College for Continuing Education and president of the National Association of the Deaf, received the 1993 Tower Clock yearbook dedication at Gallaudet's annual undergraduate awards ceremony, held April 30. The ceremony in which 89 awards were presented, was conducted by Committee C (Faculty and Student Affairs) of the Faculty Senate.

Government professor Mary Malzkuhn received the Kappa Sigma Fraternity's Gallaudetian of the Year and the Student Body Government's Faculty-Staff Member of the Year awards. English professor Terry Coye was named Delta Epsilon Sorority's Man of Merit. Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority's Educator of the Year award went to psychology professor Kim Schive.

Intramural Program coordinator Michael Yance won Alpha Sigma Pi Fraternity's Man of the Year Award, and academic advisor Angela McCaskill-Gilchrist was named the

fraternity's Mother of the Year. University Center Director Hillel Goldberg received a special service award.

President's Council Awards went to seniors Jeanette Pereira and Stefan Goldschmidt. The Gallaudet University Alumni Association's "Deaf President Now" scholarships were awarded to newly inaugurated Student Body Government President Jonathan Kovacs and Vice President David Eberwein.

Wayne Langbein and Corina Gutierrez were named Athletes of the Year. Senior Erica Hall received the Linwood Smith Memorial Award and the Phi Kappa Zeta Sorority's Leonard M. Elstad Award.

Thirty-three students were named to the Phi Alpha Pi Honor Society and 13 to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." Sixteen students joined the Experiential Programs Off Campus/Career Center Hall of Fame in recognition of outstanding internship performances.

## Learning disabilities, deafness explored

Look closely at this page. Imagine that you see nothing but black and white gibberish. A deaf person who has this experience faces an especially tough challenge in today's school system.

The dilemmas that deaf students with learning disabilities face in the school system were explored April 22 by Dr. William Kachman, a psychologist at the Kendall Demonstration Elementary School.

"In the '70s you couldn't even mention learning disabilities and deaf kids," said Kachman. Early definitions of learning disabilities emphasize

that a student was not learning disabled if his or her difficulties learning new material were "primarily" caused by other disabilities, such as deafness. According to Kachman, it is only recently that educators have begun to acknowledge that deaf people, too, can have learning disabilities.

Kachman's presentation covered the evolving definition of learning disabilities over the past few decades and the continuing difficulty of accurately defining learning disabilities, particularly among deaf and hard of hearing students.

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## Kendall Green construction progresses

*Editor's note: Since the ceremonial spade of dirt was turned at Hall Memorial Building in the spring of 1991, the physical appearance of Kendall Green has been steadily changing. Although the changes may seem subtle to those of us who are on campus every day, to a visitor who has not seen Gallaudet for the past few years, the notable improvements to College Hall and to Hall Memorial Building alone would undoubtedly be striking.*

*To date, timelines for construction projects undertaken by the University are being met, making way for a start on new facilities.*

Charles Mann, director of business services and a member of the University's Construction Communication Committee, provided the following update on each of the building projects on Kendall Green.

### Hall Memorial Building

Work on the HMB renovation is proceeding on schedule, said Mann. Phase II, the renovation of the south wing of the building, will be completed by the end of June.

The new office and classroom furniture that has been ordered for HMB is also scheduled to arrive at the beginning of July.

For two weeks following the completion of Phase II, employees who work in the north wing will be moved to temporary work space in the south wing so that the third and final phase of the HMB project, renovation of the north wing, can begin.

Mann said that work on Phase III is slated to begin in mid-July and to be completed by the end of December.

### Appleby Building

Architects are in the process of developing plans to renovate the Appleby Building, at the corner of Florida Avenue and Sixth Street, as the future site of the Department of Publications and Production. The department's editorial services, art, and photography areas are presently housed at the Model Secondary School for the Deaf, and the Print Shop is in the Washburn Arts Building.

Renovation of the Appleby Building is expected to begin in September, said Mann. It is anticipated that the building will be completed in time for Publications and Production to move sometime next spring.

The move will allow the Home Economics and Art departments to expand at the Washburn Arts Building, and for the Gallaudet Press and Pre-College Programs to acquire more space at MSSD, said Mann.

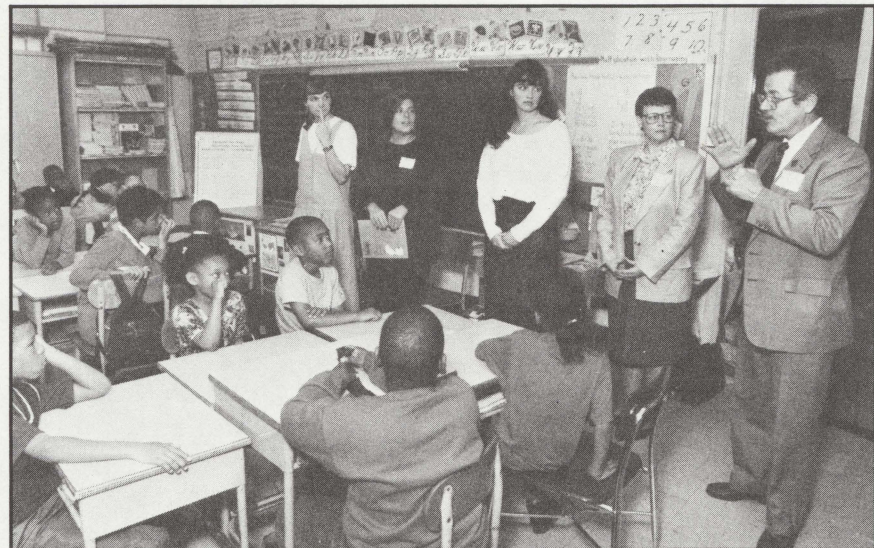
### Conference Center for Training and Development

The wrecking ball will strike West Office Building in mid-July to clear the site for the new Conference Center for Training and Development. Demolition work will take approximately a month, said Mann.

Construction of the center should begin in late August, with an anticipated completion date of December 1994.

When demolition begins, the University will lose the parking area at West Office Building. According to Dr. Bette Martin, special assistant for institutional affairs in the President's Office and chair of the Parking Committee, President I. King Jordan is studying options recommended by the Parking Committee to ensure that there will be adequate parking on campus.

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(From left): Lisa Garrett, Della Willette, Polly Adam, and Marybeth Hunter of Kappa Delta Phi told stories in ASL to third graders at Goding Elementary School April 21 for Reading is Fundamental Week. Also shown is honor society counselor Dr. David Martin.



## Students' bike trek helps fight MS

Gallaudet students David Anderson and Sean Gill, who pedaled their bikes for 1,000 miles around the Florida coast over Christmas break to raise money to fight multiple sclerosis, presented the fruits of their labor to the Multiple Sclerosis Society (MSS) on April 28.

In a ceremony in the Field House, Anderson and Gill gave a check for \$573 to Meagan Ulrich, head of Development for the MSS. They are still collecting the remainder of more than \$1,000 in pledges.

"We are delighted to receive this gift, and it will go a long way to helping with research on the causes of MS, which is now beginning to bear fruit," Ulrich said at the ceremony. "The MSS expresses great gratitude to you for this gift."

## Projects updated

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### Chapel Hall

Work has halted temporarily on replacing 2,000 square feet of sandstone that has eroded on the exterior of the building. Mann said that the University is searching for appropriate building material.

"We'd love to use natural stone, but we've been looking for the past couple of years, so right now, it isn't looking very promising," said Mann.

The University received one shipment of natural stone from a railroad bridge near Hartford, Conn., that was being torn down, "but it was very minimal," said Mann. "Artificial stone is not our first preference, by any means, but it may be the only option available."

### Field House

To help determine the design of a new addition for the Field House, Gallaudet's Program Committee is presently studying a consultant's report examining the space requirements and equipment needs of the Intramural, Physical Education, and Athletics programs.

### Parking Garage

The construction of a three-story, 320 space parking garage by the Sixth Street entrance is still in the initial planning stage.

Dr. David Martin, dean of the School of Education and Human Services, praised Anderson and Gill's efforts.

"Both of you represent the unselfish attitude that is important in today's world. We in SEHS are truly proud of the time and energy that you have given to this cause, and as a result, future MS patients will benefit."

According to Martin, one of the students' instructors, Jean Berube of the Physical Education and Recreation Department, influenced them to take on the fundraising project by emphasizing the importance of giving of one's self for the good of others. He added that Anderson and Gill had raised money a year earlier for another cause.

Anderson and Gill have published an article in the *Buff and Blue* about their experiences and have been making presentations in physical education and recreation classes in the hope that their example will inspire other students to try similar projects.

## Deaf L.D. kids focus of talk

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An assessment of any child, but especially a deaf child, must take into account that many influences may be at work, Kachman said. Educators, for example, "must distinguish a language disability from kids who just don't have parents who sign," he said.

One proposed definition of learning disabilities in deaf children, according to Kachman, states that a learning disability involves a significant difficulty with the acquisition, integration, and use of language and/or nonlinguistic abilities that may be caused by both the learning disability and the deafness, but not by either exclusively.

A neuropsychological model suggests that a learning disabled individual may have a specific problem in learning caused by a dysfunction in one of the brain mechanisms. Kachman used a case history of a 10-year-old girl at KDES who has a tested I.Q. of 96 (average range), has average math skills, and a few specific language problems, but reads at nearly college level. Although bright, as indicated by her language skills, the girl has specific learning disabilities that interfere with her expressing her abilities through standard intelligence tests.

At the college level, it is important to identify students who have learning disabilities and work with these students to determine what services they need, Kachman said.



There was something for almost everyone at the Spring Bazaar, held April 30 in Ely Center.

## Announcements

The library is seeking input from the campus community on ways to improve services. To register a suggestion, comment, or complaint, send E-mail to LIBRARY or leave a note at the circulation desk in the suggestion box.

Dr. Michael Karchmer, dean of Graduate Studies and Research, announces the publication of *The Gallaudet Research Institute Annual Report, 1991-92*, which describes the current and proposed research projects of the GRI and the activities of the Office of Sponsored Programs. A campus-wide report, *Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity at Gallaudet, 1991-92*, has also been compiled. The publications are free and are available in Fay House.

The National Information Center on Deafness, located in Merrill Learning Center, announces that its newest publications are now available: *Clubs of Deaf and Hard of Hearing People; Have You Ever Wondered about Hearing Loss, and Deafness?; An Annotated Bibliography of Children's Books about Hearing Loss, Deafness, and Deaf and Hard of Hearing People; Summer Camps for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children; and Programs and Resources for Deaf Alcoholics and Substance Abusers.*

The Child Development Center (CDC) has openings for children ages 2-11 in its summer program, which runs June 28 to Aug 20. Parents may register their children for the entire

session or for as little as one week. The CDC also has openings in its all-day fall kindergarten program for children ages 2-5. Call Gail Solit, x5130, or E-Mail GASOLIT.

The Child Development Center is raising funds by selling bread from Uptown Bakery. Orders may be placed by Wednesdays at 4 p.m. and bread may be picked up on Fridays. Call Gail Solit, x5130, or E-Mail GASOLIT.

## Classified Ads

**Classified ads** are printed for Gallaudet faculty and staff. Ads must be submitted in writing in person or by mail to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37. Off-campus phone numbers must include an area code and whether the number is voice or TTY. Ads may be run two weeks if requested and if space permits. In compliance with the Education of the Deaf Act of 1992, as amended, payment of \$1 per ad per printing must accompany each ad. Ads received May 10-14 will be printed in the May 24 issue.

**FOR RENT:** Large basement room in Seabrook, Md., house, share kitchen privileges. Call (301) 731-0059 (V/TTY).

**FOR RENT:** Private BR w/BA in 3-level townhouse near Laurel, Md., deck, TV, cable, \$350/mo. nego. Call Paul (301) 699-2868 (TTY) weekdays.

**WANTED:** Roommate for 2-BR, 2-BA apt. in Laurel, Md., \$300 plus 1/2 util. E-Mail JLBELDON or call (301) 498-3824 (V/TTY).

**FOR SALE:** Waveless heated waterbed w/wood/glass headboard, \$250 B/O. Call x5613 (TTY) days, (301) 552-4404 eves., or E-Mail NSWILLIAMS.

**AVAILABLE:** ASL tutoring, evenings. For fee, call (301) 681-0799 (TTY) eves.

**FOR SALE:** Split foyer home, treed, fenced lot, on cul de sac in Laurel, Md., 4-BR, 3-BA, laundry room, workshop, carport, deck, walkout basement. Call S. Kubis (301) 490-0084 (TTY) or E-Mail SKUBIS.

**WANTED:** Graduate student needed now for 10-20 hrs./wk captioning in TV Dept., training provided, flexible hrs., computer use required. Call x5121.

## Job Openings

**Some of the advertised positions may already be filled.** The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TTY).

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At the 1993 Northwest Campus Pig-Out, held May 2, participants gleefully stuff their faces with pie and burn off calories by struggling across the playing field in a sack race.

